

The Spirit Guides Us into All Truth, Not the Pastor

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

John 16:13 (KJV) 

Conspiracy theories. I don't expect everyone to roll over and believe every conspiracy theory there is, but they are portrayed as foolish and crazy when most are anything but. In fact, it is just as healthy to reject these theories as it is to accept them, provided that we have carefully examined the evidence. The inverse of this idea is of course that it is also dangerous to believe everything we read.

What I am asking you to do today is to truly 'think outside the box'. Oh, people will say they do, even as they mock people who actually are. I know because I was once one of them. We make up our minds that something is a certain way and refuse to consider anything that's different. In reality we brand people who think outside the box as 'crazy'. It is so intellectually lazy! Thinking outside the box just means thinking for ourselves. 'The box' is the reality that the outside world imposes upon us; the government, church and education systems. They all try to tell us how to think.



Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jude 1:3-4 (KJV) 

Perhaps the most difficult conspiracy theory to believe today is that the churches have become infiltrated by the 'synagogue of Satan' that Christ warned us of, as did the prophet Jude, Paul and many others. Why do we find this so difficult to accept?

An epiphany came to me one day when I was praying as to which book I should buy in a Christian bookstore. I heard so clearly from the Holy Spirit "Don't buy any Christian books, get rid of them all! I want to teach you directly from my Word". Now many might argue that this is a potentially dangerous thing to do, and I would agree. But the exception is when you 'know that you know' that it is the Holy Spirit.

But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

1 John 2:27 (KJV) 

After I received that word from God I received the above verse as confirmation. In my experience God has always been faithful to give me a trail of breadcrumbs to follow, and confirm that I am on the right path. Notice that I was obedient to the Spirit even before it was confirmed to me. Some things you just know are directly from God's throne when you hear them. Yes, there are men who are appointed teachers in the body of Christ, however God never intended us to get all of our teachings from others.

And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able.

1 Corinthians 3:1-2 (KJV) 

Indeed, this concept is completely supported by scripture. Spiritually speaking, milk is for babies and must be fed to them by another. But any man of God worth his salt will strive to have a congregation that is on meat; that is to say, they are able to chew and properly digest spiritual matters for themselves. And as Christ told us if the salt has lost its saltiness it is worthless and should be cast out (**Matthew 5:13 KJV **).

Meanwhile the present Laodicean church is plagued by pastors who only provide milk, and that with only bare traces of spiritual truth. This is done in order to keep the acolyte addicted to a constant diet of pabulum, never able to gain spiritual discernment. They are blissfully unaware of these deeper things of the Spirit, barely surviving in the faith, if at all. What's even worse is that many do not even have the milk being fed to them, but subsist for a time on spiritual 'Happy meals' with no nutritional value at all.

Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

1 Corinthians 10:21 (KJV) 

There really is no mystery as to why these inevitably fall from the faith, they were never properly fed to begin with. Yes, the pews are indeed full of babies; spiritual zombies that Satan is more than happy to feed his lies all week. They can watch their morally bankrupt television shows all week assured that they will hear no convicting message from their pulpits on Sunday, because their pastors are watching the same trash. Since they are not being properly fed from the Lord's table they partake of Satan's to supplement it.

Anemic baby Christians cannot do any spiritual battle, so they must rely on works of the flesh. Feeding the hungry and clothing the poor are good things, but what they really need is their deep spiritual hunger to be satisfied. Can't find a church that is good? Why are you waiting for your spiritual food to trickle down from a church, pastor or ministry like a baby reliant on its mother's teat when you can open up your King James Bible and feast from the King's table as often as you like? I'm sorry, but you simply have no excuse.

Where things start getting strange is when we actually begin walking this narrow path with Christ. We expect to be surrounded with similarly minded believers, but in my experience I am usually walking alone. Suddenly you start clashing with people who you once thought were brothers and sisters in Christ. You begin to see things so plainly that others cannot, yet they will try their hardest to make you feel as if it is you that has the problem.

He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

Matthew 13:11-12 (KJV) 

Something that was a hard pill to swallow for me was the fact that some truths are not given to all of us. This is another potentially dangerous way of thinking, and is something that our brother Paul struggled with. In the past I have told people that there was something wrong with their salvation because they either couldn't or refused to grasp certain truths, but then God reminded me of the parable of the talents.

For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

Matthew 25:14-15 (KJV) 

Like I said, this was (and still is) something I have difficulty with. I can just see the smug comments now: “Oh, I get it now, you are just on a different level than I am with Jesus. You prideful apostate!” But facts are facts; the parable of the talents and the above passage in Matthew 13 both clearly state that there are some to whom the answers for certain mysteries are not given. We are simply not all given the same measure of faith.

When Peter walked on the water did that make the other disciples less ‘saved’? No it did not. Peter was simply given a greater measure of faith than the other disciples. To this day we call people a ‘doubting Thomas’ because his faith was so small. He would never go on to walk on water or write a book, yet we know that even he will be amongst that number.

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

Matthew 7:7 (KJV) 

So while I have a greater faith than some, there are others who have a greater measure than myself. I know of people who when faced with things they don’t understand in the bible just shrug their shoulders and say that some things are hidden from us. But that is just spiritual laziness. We must always be willing to dig in the Word for the answers we seek.

